MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): If the Government realise that the M. B. & B. S. is a higher examination, I want to know the exact reason why the Government should place that and the L. M. & S. examination on the same level. That is my question.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government consider both L. M. & S. and M. B. & B. S. as adequate qualifications for appointment in the Medical Department, and do not give any preference to M. B. & B. S. Why Government have not given any preference to the M. B. & B. S., I cannot say now. It must be on the recommendation of the Darbar Physician.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): The question I raise is whether, especially in view of the large number of the M. B. & B. S. candidates now available, they should not be preferred to L.M.&S. candidates, if it is accepted that the M. B. & B. S. is a higher examination than the L. M. & S.

PRESIDENT: Government may consider the question.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know whether M. D. will be preferred to M. B. & B S.?

PRESIDENT: That is going still higher up.

Statement, by caste, of Midwives and Nurses.

147. ***MR. K. PADMANABHAN** (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a caste-war list of Midwives and Nurses in Government service?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): A *statement furnishing the required information is laid on the table.

Pazhanchira in the Chirayinkil taluk.

148. ***MR. K. PADMANABHAN** (*Chirayinkil I*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to inform the House whether they have received petitions from the people of Melkadakkavoor, Chirayinkil *pakuthi*, Chirayinkil taluk, praying for the repair and maintenance of an irrigation tank called Pazhanchira (പഴഞ്ചിറ) in Survey No. 2127 of the said *pakuthi*?

(*b*) If the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to give the date of the earliest of such petitions?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 9-4-1104.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): What action has been taken in the matter?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Plans and estimates have been called for from the Division Officer.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Have the plans and estimates come into the hands of the Chief Engineer?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): I said just now that plans and estimates have been called for from the Division Officer.

* *Vide* Appendix III.

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Sanskrit.	*Tamil.*	*Malayalam.*
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Rksamhita	Valavisupuranam	Narayaniya with Lashmi-vilasa
Sahityamimamsa		
Pramanamanjari	Paramarthasaram	
Mahanayaprakasa		Bhashyasara
Kamalinjrajahamsa		
Yogayajnavalkya		Haryakshamasasama-rotsavam
Udayavarmacarita		
Dasarupakadipika		
Rasakrida		Bharatavakyam
Vrttavartikam		
Narayaniyam with Bhaktapriya		
Uttararamacarita Kavya		
Kavyadarsa		
Jubilee Volume (Sanskrit and English.)		

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Appendix III.

[*Vide* **Question No. 147.**]

Caste-war Statement of Midwives and Nurses.

	Caste.		*Nurses.*	*Midwives.*
I. Hindus.	Brahmins (Malayala)		..	..
	Brahmins (Other)		1	2
	Nadars		..	1
	Ezhavas		5	10
	Kammalas		1	..
	Kshatriyas		..	..
	Nairs		10	16
	Pulayas		..	..
	Other Depressed Classes		2	10
	Vellalas		..	..
	Other Hindus		1	3
II. Musalmans.			..	..
III. Christians.	Protestants		7	21
	Roman Catholics	Latin-rite	16	19
		Syriac-rite	1	..
	Syrians	Jacobite	5	9
		Marthoma	11	10
	Church of England		..	..
	Depressed Class		..	..
IV. Others.			..	..